



		NTSB ID: DEN03LA014		Aircraft Registration Number: N2904C	
		Occurrence Date: 11/06/2002		Most Critical Injury: None	
		Occurrence Type: Accident		Investigated By: NTSB	
Location/Time					
Nearest City/Place Grand Junction		State CO	Zip Code 81526	Local Time 1400	Time Zone MST
Airport Proximity: On Airport		Distance From Landing Facility:		Direction From Airport:	
Aircraft Information Summary					
Aircraft Manufacturer Piper		Model/Series PA-28RT		Type of Aircraft Airplane	
Sightseeing Flight: No			Air Medical Transport Flight: No		
Narrative					
<p>Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:</p> <p>On November 06, 2002, at approximately 1400 mountain standard time, a Piper PA-28RT, N2904C, operated by Kempton Air Service of Grand Junction, Colorado, was substantially damaged when its left main landing gear collapsed during landing roll at Walker Field Airport (GJT), Grand Junction, Colorado. The private pilot, the sole occupant on board, was not injured. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed. This personal cross-country flight was being conducted under Title 14, CFR Part 91, and no flight plan had been filed. The flight originated at Durango, Colorado, at approximately 1315.</p> <p>According to the pilot, approximately 35 miles southeast of Grand Junction, the airplane's alternator failed and all electrical power was lost. Attempts to restore electrical power were unsuccessful. While over Whitewater, Colorado, the pilot used his cell phone to call GJT Tower and he was given clearance to land. He followed the airplane's emergency checklist to manually lower the landing gear and landed the airplane on runway 29. During the landing roll, the airplane's left main landing gear collapsed, the airplane veered off the runway and struck the A6 taxiway sign. The airplane's left wing was displaced from the fuselage at the forward attachment fitting and the outboard 5 feet of its leading edge was crushed.</p>					
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Landing Facility/Approach Information					
Airport Name Walker Field	Airport ID: GJT	Airport Elevation 4858 Ft. MSL	Runway Used 29	Runway Length 10500	Runway Width 150
Runway Surface Type: Asphalt					
Runway Surface Condition: Dry					
Type Instrument Approach: NONE					
VFR Approach/Landing: Full Stop					
Aircraft Information					
Aircraft Manufacturer Piper		Model/Series PA-28RT		Serial Number 28R-7931250	
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Normal					
Landing Gear Type: Retractable - Tricycle					
Homebuilt Aircraft? No	Number of Seats: 4	Certified Max Gross Wt.	2750 LBS	Number of Engines: 1	
Engine Type: Reciprocating	Engine Manufacturer: Continental		Model/Series: TSIO-360-FBI	Rated Power: 200 HP	
- Aircraft Inspection Information					
Type of Last Inspection Annual	Date of Last Inspection 06/2002	Time Since Last Inspection 60 Hours		Airframe Total Time 5605 Hours	
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information					
ELT Installed? Yes	ELT Operated? No		ELT Aided in Locating Accident Site? No		
Owner/Operator Information					
Registered Aircraft Owner Larry G. Kempton		Street Address 2851 Aviators Way			
		City Grand Junction	State CB	Zip Code 81506	
Operator of Aircraft Same as Reg'd Aircraft Owner		Street Address Same as Reg'd Aircraft Owner			
		City	State	Zip Code	
Operator Does Business As: Kempton Air Service			Operator Designator Code:		
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held: None					
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s):					
Operating Certificate:			Operator Certificate:		
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation					
Type of Flight Operation Conducted: Personal					
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Weather Information					
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF Elevation	WOF Distance From Accident Site	Direction From Accident Site
GJT	1407	MST	4858 Ft. MSL	NM	Deg. Mag.
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Clear				Ft. AGL	Condition of Light: Day
Lowest Ceiling: None			Ft. AGL	Visibility: 10 SM	Altimeter: 30.35 "Hg
Temperature: 12 °C	Dew Point: -8 °C	Wind Direction:		Density Altitude: 5247 Ft.	
Wind Speed:	Gusts:	Weather Conditions at Accident Site: Visual Conditions			
Visibility (RVR): Ft.	Visibility (RVV) SM	Intensity of Precipitation:			
Restrictions to Visibility: None					
Type of Precipitation: None					
Accident Information					
Aircraft Damage: Substantial		Aircraft Fire: None		Aircraft Explosion: None	
Classification: U.S. Registered/U.S. Soil					
- Injury Summary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None	TOTAL
First Pilot				1	1
Second Pilot					
Student Pilot					
Flight Instructor					
Check Pilot					
Flight Engineer					
Cabin Attendants					
Other Crew					
Passengers					
- TOTAL ABOARD -				1	1
Other Ground					
- GRAND TOTAL -				1	1
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Administrative Information		
Investigator-In-Charge (IIC) David C. Bowling		
Additional Persons Participating in This Accident/Incident Investigation: Max McAArthur Salt Lake City FSDO 116N. 2400 W. Salt Lake City, UT 84116		
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